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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION  
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Transmitted herewith for filing is the non-provisional utility patent application entitled:

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which is:

an ☒ Original; or

a ☐ Continuation, ☐ Divisional, or ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP)  
of prior Application No. filed.

Anticipated Group/Art Unit: or Class, Subclass.

☐ This non-provisional patent application is based on Provisional Patent Application No. ,  
filed .

Enclosed are:

☒ Specification (including Abstract) and claims: 20 pages.

☒ 13 sheets of drawings (Informal).

☐ Application Data Sheet.

☐ Newly executed/unexecuted Declaration (original/copy).

☐ Copy of Declaration from prior application.

☐ Separate Power of Attorney (including 37 CFR 3.73(b) statement, if applicable).

☐ Microfiche computer program (Appendix).

☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission, including:

☐ Computer readable copy ☐ Paper Copy ☐ Verified Statement.

☐ Under PTO-1595 Cover Sheet, an assignment of the invention

☐ Name of Assignee:

☐ Certified copy(ies) of Application No(s). filed is/are filed:  
☐ herewith or ☐ in prior application .

☒ Applicant(s), by its/their undersigned attorney, claim(s) Small Entity Status under  
37 C.F.R. §1.27 as ☒ an Independent Inventor, or ☐ a Small Business Concern,  
or ☐ a Non-Profit Organization.

☒ Preliminary Amendment.

☐ Information Disclosure Statement, PTO/SB/08A, and cited references.

☐ Request for Nonpublication of Application Under 35 U.S.C. §122(b)

☐ Other:

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